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Ambush injures Corps employee in Iraq

OMAHA, Neb. – A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers civilian employee deployed to Iraq was shot in the shoulder at 3 p.m. today when his convoy was ambushed near Samara.

Gary W. York, a 48 year-old power plant senior controller from the Corps' Gavins Point project in Yankton, S.D., was taken to a nearby U.S. combat support hospital and was listed in stable condition.

York deployed to Iraq in September as part of the Corps' mission in Iraq.

"Our thoughts are with Gary and his family today as he recovers from his wound," said Lt. Col James Steinke, acting commander of the Corps' Northwestern Division. "Gary is receiving the best medical care possible and is expected to fully recover."

York is one of 330 military and civilian Corps' employees deployed to Iraq.

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